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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Sir:

Applicants believe this paper is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office action on the merits, and so under 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(3) no fees are required. If a fee is deemed to be required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such fee to Deposit Account No. 50-1676

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.56, Applicants wish to call the Examiner's attention to the references cited on the attached form(s) PTO-1449.

The listed references were cited in the international stage search report. Copies of the cited references are enclosed herewith for the Examiner's review and convenience. Please note that Applicants listed the cited German patents and their corresponding US equivalents. They are as follows:

DE 102 15 292	US 2006/0116414
DE 102 04 391	US 2005/0124815
DE 102 04 390	US 7,098,227
DE 102 18 231	US 2006/0148886
DE 22 05 732	US 3,859,338

Applicants also provided an English Abstract for JP 2001 302605.

The Examiner is requested to consider the foregoing information in relation to this application and indicate that each reference was considered by returning a copy of the initialed PTO 1449 form(s).

Respectfully submitted,

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